AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (original): A print order receipt unit comprising:

reading means for reading image data of an image recorded on a recording medium; a display on which said image from said image data read by said reading means is displayed;

print order input means for inputting for a print order of said image recorded on the recording medium;

a first processing system for displaying said image from said image data read by said reading means on said display and receiving an order instruction from said input means using said displayed image to generate order information;

first storage means into which said image data of said image read by said reading means is stored; and

a second processing system for storing said image data read by said reading means into said first storage means in parallel with processing by said first processing system,

wherein said order information generated by said first processing system and said image data stored into said first storage means by said second processing system are related to each other and output.

2. (original): The print order receipt unit according to claim 1, wherein said image

displayed on said display is a small-sized image or a thumbnail image which conforms to a size

of a frame image to be displayed for an operation of an order instruction by said input means so

that said first processing system can generate said order information.

3. (original): The print order receipt unit according to claim 1, wherein said first

processing system displays a necessary image in accordance with a format of an image file of the

image data of said image read by said reading means on said display.

4. (original): The print order receipt unit according to claim 3, wherein said reading

means reads only a header of said image file and said first processing system analyzes only the

thus read header to determine said format of said image file.

5. (original): The print order receipt unit according to claim 3, wherein said first

processing system displays on said display a thumbnail image when said image file has said

thumbnail image, an image obtained by resizing a non-compressed image data when said image

file has said non-compressed image data where the thumbnail image is not recorded, and an

image obtained by decompressing and resizing compressed image data when said image file has

said compressed image data where the thumbnail image is not recorded.

6. (original): The print order receipt unit according to claim 5, wherein the resized image is a small-sized image or the thumbnail image which conforms to a size of a frame image to be displayed for an operation of an order instruction by said input means so that said first processing system can generate said order information.

7. (original): The print order receipt unit according to claim 1, wherein second storage means to store the image displayed on said display is provided in addition to said first storage means to store the image data of said image provided in said second processing system so that said first processing system can generate the order information.

8. (original): The print order receipt unit according to claim 1, wherein said first storage means is external storage means provided separately from a main unit including said reading means, said display, said input means and said first processing system.

9. (original): The print order receipt unit according to claim 1, wherein a printing distribution device including said first storage means and said second processing system is provided separately from a main unit including said reading means, said display, said input means and said first processing system.

10. (original): The print order receipt unit according to claim 9, wherein said printing

distribution device further includes image selection means in which an image corresponding to

said order information that was generated by said first processing system of a main unit is

selected and image data of the selected image is read out from said first storage means.

11. (original): The print order receipt unit according to claim 9, wherein plural main units

are connected to one printing distribution device.

12. (original): The print order receipt unit according to claim 9, wherein plural digital

photo printers are connected to a printing distribution device including at least said second

processing system.

13. (original): The print order receipt unit according to claim 8, wherein plural main units

are connected to one external storage means.

14. (original): The print order receipt unit according to claim 1, wherein plural digital

photo printers are connected to a main unit including at least said second processing system.

15. (new): The print order receipt unit according to claim 1, wherein the second

processing system stores said image data read into said first storage means while the first

processing system displays said image from said image data on said display and receives said

order instruction from said input means using said displayed image to generate order

information.

16. (new):　The print order receipt unit according to claim 1, wherein the second

processing system stores said image data read into said first storage means and at the same time

the first processing system displays said image from said image data on said display and receives

said order instruction from said input means using said displayed image to generate order

information.

17. (new):　The print order receipt unit according to claim 1, wherein the second

processing system stores said image data read into said first storage means while the first

processing system generates displays data of said image to be displayed and displays the image.

18. (new):　The print order receipt unit according to claim 1, wherein when the second

processing system completes the storing of the image data, the first processing system reads out

the image data from the first storage means, links the order information to the image data and

outputs the image data to the printer.